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THE VIRGINIA INSURRECTION.

[Special Telegrams to the New-York Times.]

CHARLESTOWN, Friday, Oct. 21.

The community were considerably excited today by the appearance at noon of one of the fugitives from Harper's Ferry, supposed to be Cook. A gentleman from Sidney overtook the man on the road coming from Waynesborough to this place, and entered into some discussion in his buggy. When about three miles from town the man got out of the vehicle under pretence of taking another road. About an hour afterwards the gentleman saw him upon one of our streets. He informed two others who overtook him to a house of which Brown's men have possession, leaving one man as a guard, the other and the gentleman; and before he returned the man escaped at the rear of the house, passing through a garden. At the foot of the garden a blanket, containing a Sharpe's rifle, unloaded, was found, and the ride is known to have been in Cook's possession. Immediate pursuit was made by a number of men, but no trace could be discovered. The blanket was marked "H. H.," and, together with the ride, is now in Sheriff Rowan's possession. The man has other weapons. Cook's wife and child are now, and have been for the past week, at the house through which the man passed, but she denied that he is her husband. The general impression, however, is that it was he. He had on a black slouched hat, high crowned, a somewhat faded black frock coat, with outside pockets; light brown pants, very large heavy boots, and a red and white striped cotton shirt. He is about 5 feet 6 or 7 inches high, sallow complexion, light hair cut straight across forehead, and light sandy beard and moustache. His general appearance was very rough and shabby. Parties are now in pursuit of him, and others will leave in the morning. It is supposed that other fugitives are in the neighborhood. Efforts are now being made to ferret them out, and if caught there will be no favor or protection extended to them by any of our citizens.

CONE FORMERLY A CITIZEN OF BROOKLYN.

Cook, who has thus effected his escape from the pursuit of both his Maryland and Pennsylvania hunters, and whose part in the Harper's Ferry melo drama was second only to that of Brown himself, was formerly connected with the Lee-Avenue Church in Brooklyn, and was at one time an active teacher in the Sabbath-school attached to that Church.

GOV. WISE AND THE LATE INSURRECTION.

RICHMOND, Va., Friday, Oct. 21.

Gov. Wise arrived to-day, and was received by Company F, which escorted him to the capitol. He addressed the throng from the steps of that building, stating that he had taken the responsibility of placing a guard at Harper's Ferry, and that he would distribute arms at accessible points throughout the State. The speech produced a great sensation.

INTERVIEW BETWEEN GOV. WISE AND BROWN.

From the Reporter of the Richmond Enquirer.

On Gov. Wise reaching the Arsenal, old BROWN received him with the utmost composure, though evidently suffering much from the wounds he received. Governor, I suppose you think me a depraved wretch, Mr. Wise, and hold our opinions of each other." The remark was made with no disrespect whatever. The Governor replied, "You are in the hands of the State, and I have questions to ask, which you can answer, or not as you choose." BROWN answered every question and made a full confession which will be published hereafter. BROWN said he was conscious that he was in the hands of the law and was prepared to meet his fate; that as far as he himself and those already in custody were concerned, he had no concealments whatever to make; that *he had been mistaken in his calculations about assistance from others*, otherwise he would have given much more trouble. He said that the whole plot was well contrived and arranged as far back as 1856, and that he had reason to expect assistance of from 2,000 to 5,000 men; that he looked for aid from *every State*, (Virginia included.) Upon being asked if any negroes or whites, in or about Harper's Ferry, were privy to his, he declined answering. But upon repeated answer in these words: "From my visits, and associations and inquiries about here, I have a right to expect the aid of from 3,000 to 5,000 men." Being interrogated very closely by Gov. WISE as to where the boxes of guns and ammunition came from, BROWN said they were shipped from Connecticut to Chambersburg, Pa., and were hauled to Kennedy's farm, Maryland (the rendezvous) by drivers who knew nothing of what they contained.

A Provisional Constitution was found on one of the pikes, (Sharpe's,) and shown to BROWN, to know if it was genuine. Upon hearing the preamble read, he assented, and it is understood from others that he was the author thereof. He declined answering questions that might implicate others until yesterday, when he said he had fixed upon Harper's Ferry in fact as the point to commence his operations against the Southern States; that he had fully examined the strength, ascertained the number of men in charge of it, and the probabilities of taking it; said he rented the Kennedy Farm in Maryland about two years ago for his two sons—DAVIS and WATSON—under the name of Smith, to secrete the weapons, &c., and had continued, from time to time, to add to his stores. He thought he would have succeeded had he held FAIRFAX train at Harper's Ferry; *thinks he would then have been able to hold the place long enough to inspire confidence in him and his plans, and then his promised support would have come up.*

A Mr. MASSON McGEE, from Kansas, was arrested on suspicion of being connected with the insurgents, and upon questioning BROWN as to the connection of McGEE with him, he asked for his name. Upon being told that it was MASSON McGEE, he broke forth in the most bitter denunciation of McGEE as a Pro-Slavery man in Kansas. McGEE was forthwith discharged. McGEE then went out in pursuit of COOK, and brought back many of the captured arms, &c.

After COOKE and STEVENS, BROWN had no apologies to make, but justified his conduct from the beginning to the end.

The Governor asked BROWN if they had taken the Executive Mansion at once? He replied, with indignation, that money was not his object; he had no object but to take slaves from their masters; they had committed no murder; and though they searched a passenger in the train for arms, who had in his possession $10,000, they did not molest the money.

The letters found on BROWN's farm showed that the insurgents were in receipt of money from other parties. BROWN's manner to Gov. WISE was most dignified and respectful. He claimed equality as to character and motive, and complained throughout of the indignities visited upon him; that while humanity had governed his own conduct toward his prisoners, he had been treated as a ruffian and brute.

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P. S.—Dr. JAYNES killed himself, I presume you have heard, while bringing in guns from Missouri to murder his neighbors with. It was a providential interference for our protection, I have no doubt.

From O. S. to Capt. Brown, Jr.

CHAMBERSBURG, Penn., Sept. 9, 1859.

DEAR BROTHER, SISTER AND OTHERS: All is well with us. At present our prospecting appears to be favorable, and some of us will find employment in a few days. TIDD is here. God speed you.

Your brother, O. S.

THE KANSAS WORK OF BROWN.

The following sketch of Ossawatomie BROWN appears in the Boston *Atlas*. It is from the pen of Mr. JAMES REDPATH, whose familiarity with events in Kansas during its troublous times is well known:

Old BROWN—JOHN BROWN—the chief and originator of the insurrection, was a man of sixty-five years of age. He was born, I believe, in Connecticut; resided, for a considerable period of his life, in Massachusetts; but for some time—perhaps for several years—had lived in the State of New-York, somewhere in the vicinity of Utica. When the Kansas troubles broke out he had a wife, seven sons and a daughter living. What are left of his family still live on his farm near Utica. At Springfield, I believe, he was engaged in the wool trade. Wherever he lived he soon acquired the reputation of a man of the sternest integrity of character. In Kansas he was the great living test of principle in our politicians. The more corrupt the man, the more he dehounced Old BROWN. It was a true compliment to be praised or to be recognized by him as a friend; for, even in his social dealings, he would have no connection with any man of unprincipled or unworthy character. In his camp he permitted no profanity; no man of loose morals was suffered to stay there—unless, indeed, as prisoners of war. "I would rather have the small pox, yellow fever, and cholera, all together, in my camp, than a man without principle." This he said to the present writer, when speaking of some ruffianly recruits whom a well-known leader had recently introduced. "It's a mistake, sir," he continued, "that our people make, when they think that bullies are the best fighters, or that they are the fit men to oppose these Southerners. Give me men of good principles—God-fearing men—men who respect themselves, and with a dozen of them I will oppose any hundred such men as these Buford ruffians." His whole character is portrayed in these words. He was a Puritan in the Cromwellian sense of the word. He trusted in God, and kept his powder dry. Prayers were offered up, in his camp, every morning and evening; no food was eaten, unless grace was first asked on it.

For thirty years he secretly cherished the idea of being the leader of a servile insurrection: the American Moses, predestined by Omnipotence to lead the servile nation in our Southern States to freedom: if necessary, through the Red Sea of a civil war, or a fiercer war of races. It was no "mad idea" "concocted at a fair in Ohio," but a mighty purpose, born of religious convictions, which he nourished in his heart for half a lifetime.

When the horizon of freedom looked gloomy in Kansas, he took leave of his wife and younger children, and, with several of his sons—four or five of them—went out to Kansas. He thought that the hour was approaching for his work to begin. The ballot-box had already been desecrated; the ruffians of Missouri had overwhelmed by violence the rights of the North. He went to put a stop to the insolence and violence of the South; and to him, more than to any other living man, we owe it that Kansas is a Free State to-day. To a man of a very different character, Gen. LANE, although a personal and malignant enemy of mine, I would accord the second place in this honorable rank.

BROWN was not sent by any one, unless by God, (as he himself believed,) to vindicate the rights of the North and of freedom in Kansas. He was no politician. He despised the class with all the energy of his earnest and determined nature. His first appearance in the Territory was at Ossawattomie, at a public meeting at which accommodating politicians were carefully pruning a set of resolutions to suit every shade of Free-State men. The motion that called him out was to pass a resolution in favor of excluding all negroes from Kansas. Old BROWN rose, and scattered consternation among the politicians by asserting the manhood of the negro race, and expressing his earnest Anti-Slavery convictions with a force and vehemence little likely to please the hybrids then known as Free-State Democrats. There were a number of Indiana Democrats present, whom his speech so shocked that they subsequently became, and remained, I believe, in the class of "law-and-order abiders" Pro-Slavery men. It was his first and last appearance in a public meeting. Like most men of action, he underrated discussion. He accordingly dismissed even the abject Anti-Slavery orators. He could "see no use in this talking," he said. "Talk is a national institution, but it does no good for the slave." He thought it an excuse very well adapted for weak men with tender consciences. Most men, who were afraid to fight, and too honest to be silent, deceived themselves that they discharged their duties to the slave by denouncing in fiery words the oppressor. His ideas of duty were far different; the slaves, in his eyes, were prisoners of war; their tyrants, he held, had taken up the sword, and must perish by it.

The next time he appeared among men assembled in numbers was when Lawrence was surrounded by Sheriff JONES' *posse comitatus*, (from Missouri,) during the Governorship of SHANNON, in the month of December, 1855. His eldest son, JOHN, had command of a large company of men, and he himself had charge of a dozen. He was dissatisfied with the conduct of

NEWS FROM EUROPE.

Arrival of the Europe's Mails.

OUR TRANSATLANTIC CORRESPONDENCE.

The Foreign Envoys in China.

CONDITION OF ITALY.

General and Political Intelligence.

The mails by the steamer *Europa* reached the City from Boston last evening. Our foreign correspondence and the extracts from foreign exchanges, which are given below, contain interesting details of the latest intelligence.

DEATH OF JOHN Y. MASON.

His Illness and its Close—Funeral Services—The Legation ad Interim.

From Our Own Correspondent.

PARIS, Thursday, Oct. 6, 1859.

You will have already heard of the sudden death of the American Minister at Paris, the Hon. JOHN Y. MASON. Mr. MASON had never recovered completely from his first attack of apoplexy, which occurred four years ago, and which then came near terminating his life. An incomplete paralysis of the left side remained as a result of the first attack, but so entirely had his health of mind and body been restored in other respects that there is reason to believe he looked forward to a prolonged life, and was far from anticipating so early and so sudden a death. To all, however, who knew the implacable character of the disease, and its tendency to a surer and more fatal return, the sad event was scarcely a surprise. Thus, without the slightest premonition, and in a state of perfect health, was the deceased visited with the last fatal stroke. He retired to rest on Sunday evening after taking leave of a party of visitors who had dined at his house, and in his usual health. At one o'clock in the morning Mrs. MASON heard an unusual noise in her husband's room, and approaching his bedside found him in convulsions and unconscious. He remained in this condition until he died, eight hours later, suffering intensely although unconscious of surrounding objects. Several physicians were at his bedside, but they were unable to give any relief.

The body of the deceased has been embalmed and will be taken home. It was buried here provisionally, however, in a vault of the American Chapel in the Rue de Berri. The funeral ceremony took place yesterday at the Chapel, and was attended by a large number o Americans, by members of the Government, of the diplomatic corps, and by all those in fine who had learned by a personal association to esteem the superior talent and the kindly qualities of heart of the deceased. Mr. ARNESSEN, of Virginia, who married a month ago one of the Misses MASON, is happily still in Paris, and will take charge of the family. He has written home to the elder son of the deceased, that he need not come out, as he will charge himself with the duty of settling up the affairs and the bringing home of the family. It has been reported at different times, that, in consequence of the largeness of his family, the expense of living in Paris, and the well-known liberality of the deceased, his pecuniary affairs were in an unsatisfactory state. I have no means of verifying the truth of this report; but under any circumstances the American public need not apprehend any public discussion here of their late representative's affairs, since the resources of the family in its various branches, and the affection with which its head was cherished by all, offer a sufficient guarantee against such an event. Mr. MASON leaves a widow and ten children. Of the latter four are married. A married and unmarried son, and two married daughters live in Virginia. Mrs. ANDERSON, three unmarried daughters between the ages of sixteen and twenty, and two sons under fifteen, are in Paris.

The Government sent to the funeral a detachment of 250 soldiers of the Twenty-eighth Regiment of the Line, commanded by a chief of battalion. Soldiers were placed up and down the aisles of the church during the service, and each time the congregation rose to sing the captain's voice was heard over all, shouting to his men, "Shoulder arms!" And then again, as the hymn ceased, and the congregation sat down, "Ground arms!" was heard, and the muskets came down on the stone floor with a simultaneous clang that startled the audience, and rang through the vaulted roof with more effect than the deep notes of the organ. This novel method of increasing the solemnities of a funeral occasion broke in singularly upon the previous habits of the American part of the congregation, or at least that part of it not accustomed to seeing funerals of high official persons in France. This is, however, the French method of showing honor to the dead, and must be received as a compliment, incongruous and inappropriate as it appears.

During the course of the funeral sermon the Rev. Mr. SMART mentioned among other things that, at the moment of his death, the lamented deceased was negotiating a very important commercial treaty with France. It is, indeed, to be much regretted that his life was not spared, in order to accomplish this important work, for certainly no man in the United States is more competent to such a work than was the deceased. His long occupation of the Navy Department, a natural inclination to the study of commercial affairs, and a remarkable clear-headedness on every subject to which he applied himself, offered a sure guarantee that the forthcoming treaty would have added honor to his name and wealth to his country. The great need of placing the commercial relations of the two countries on a better footing has long been felt, and it is to be hoped that the Government, in looking about for a successor to Mr. MASON, will not forget that this work is unfinished, and that a man is required capable of completing it. It is undoubtedly, the most important work he will have to do.

Mr. CALHOUN, of South Carolina, and Mr. WILSON, of New-York, first and second Secretaries of Legation, will remain in charge of the legation until the appointment of a new Minister, Mr. CALHOUN taking the title of *Chargé des Affaires de la Legation ad interim*—a title and a function different, the reader will observe, from that of *Chargé d'Affaires*. And here it is my duty to say a word, not for myself, for I have no right to express here my personal preferences, but for the American colony in Paris, in favor of the retention by the new Minister of the two gentlemen just named. Upon no one subject, I think, could a whole community be more unanimous than upon this, and there are no better judges of the competency of an officer than those among whom he exercises his functions. It is indeed lamentable to see the Government renewing, with every revolution of the year, a set of officers, who, of all others, require permanency and experience in their profession. The amount of business transacted by the American Legation at Paris is enormous. No three minutes of the four hours during which the bureau remains open daily, are they without a visit on business of some kind. Much of this business is certainly insignificant; many calls are for information, and many others are made by persons who have an unfortunate habit of confounding the Minister with the Consul. Nevertheless, the real and essential business of the Legation, independent, one might almost say, of the Minister himself, is immense, and it is highly important that the Secretaries, who are thus brought so constantly in contact with the public, native and foreign, should be men who would not give too low an opinion of our civilization. They should be men who not only know the language of the country but its habits, especially its habits of ordinary intercourse and the routine of diplomatic life. How can this be done by any other way than by retaining good men when they are found? There are those who think that the country is only well represented when it is represented by men ignorant of the language of the country to which they are sent, of its Court etiquette, and of its habits generally. But what end is to be gained by convincing European that we are ourselves? Where is the advantage of showing Europe that we are different from the

DEATH OF JOHN Y. MASON.

His Illness

THE CHINESE WAR.

Official Correspondence and Reports of the Admiralty and War Departments.

POSITION OF THE AMERICAN MINISTER.

The following correspondence is issued to the London journals by command of Her Majesty:

Foreign Office, March 1, 1840.

Sir,—I have received and laid before Viscount Melbourne your dispatch of the 29th of October, No. 30, and I have to state to you that Her Majesty's Government entirely approve the course which you have pursued in the discharge of the duties of your mission, and that they will support you in the steps which you have taken for the protection of the persons and property of British subjects in China.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) PALMERSTON.

H. Pottinger, Esq., &c. &c. &c.

Foreign Office, Dec. 30, 1839.

Sir,—I have received and laid before Viscount Melbourne your dispatches of the 30th of May, 1st and 14th of June, and 1st, 2nd, and 13th of July, and the first of August, containing the account of the measures which you have adopted for the purpose of bringing to a satisfactory conclusion the differences which have arisen between the Chinese authorities and the persons engaged in the trade of the port of Canton.

Her Majesty's Government do not consider that you would be justified in having recourse to hostilities for the purpose of enforcing the demands which you have made upon the Chinese Government, unless you should have previously exhausted every means of bringing the question to a satisfactory settlement by peaceful negotiation.

Her Majesty's Government are prepared to support you in the way which you will think most likely to lead to that result, and they will therefore be ready to send out a sufficient force to the coast of China to enable you to carry into effect any measures of hostility which you may find it necessary to adopt.

Her Majesty's Government are not prepared to say what ought to be the nature of the demands which you should make upon the Chinese Government for the purpose of bringing the present differences to a satisfactory conclusion; but they will rely upon your discretion to make such demands as may be sufficient to obtain adequate security for the future, and adequate compensation for the past.

Her Majesty's Government are not prepared to say what ought to be the nature of the compensation which you should require for the opium which was destroyed at Canton; but they will rely upon your discretion to require such compensation as may be sufficient to indemnify the persons who have suffered loss, and to mark the displeasure of the Chinese Government at the violence which has been committed.

Her Majesty's Government are not prepared to say that the Chinese Government ought to be required to pay the whole of the expenses which you have incurred in the equipment of the armament which has been sent to the coast of China; but they will rely upon your discretion to require such a contribution to those expenses as may be sufficient to mark the displeasure of the Chinese Government at the violence which has been committed.

Her Majesty's Government are not prepared to say that the Chinese Government ought to be required to cede any territory to the British Crown; but they will rely upon your discretion to require the cession of such islands or such ports as may be necessary for the security of the persons and property of British subjects.

Her Majesty's Government are not prepared to say that the Chinese Government ought to be required to enter into any engagement to open any additional ports to the trade of British subjects; but they will rely upon your discretion to require the establishment of such regulations as may be sufficient to secure the persons and property of British subjects who may visit the ports which are now open to their trade.

Her Majesty's Government are not prepared to say that the Chinese Government ought to be required to enter into any engagement to prevent the importation of opium into China; but they will rely upon your discretion to require the establishment of such regulations as may be sufficient to prevent the subjects of Her Majesty from being concerned in that traffic.

Her Majesty's Government are not prepared to say that the Chinese Government ought to be required to enter into any engagement to prevent the cultivation of the poppy in the territories of the Emperor of China; but they will rely upon your discretion to require the establishment of such regulations as may be sufficient to prevent the growth of the poppy from interfering with the cultivation of other articles of produce.

Her Majesty's Government are not prepared to say that the Chinese Government ought to be required to enter into any engagement to prevent the importation of opium into the territories of other countries; but they will rely upon your discretion to require the establishment of such regulations as may be sufficient to prevent the subjects of Her Majesty from being concerned in that traffic.

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The New-York Daily Times.

NEW-YORK, SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28, 1854.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

The Constitutional Convention is to assemble at Albany on the 3d of January next.

The Democratic Convention of Kentucky has nominated Gen. Wickliffe for Governor.

The Democratic Convention of Ohio has nominated Gen. Medary for Governor.

The Democratic Convention of Indiana has nominated Gen. Wright for Governor.

The Democratic Convention of Illinois has nominated Gen. Matteson for Governor.

The Democratic Convention of Missouri has nominated Gen. Price for Governor.

The Democratic Convention of Iowa has nominated Gen. Hall for Governor.

The Democratic Convention of Wisconsin has nominated Gen. Barstow for Governor.

The Democratic Convention of Minnesota has nominated Gen. Sibley for Governor.

The Democratic Convention of California has nominated Gen. Bigler for Governor.

The Democratic Convention of Oregon has nominated Gen. Curry for Governor.

The Democratic Convention of Texas has nominated Gen. Runnels for Governor.

The Democratic Convention of Louisiana has nominated Gen. Pierce M. Butler for Governor.

The Democratic Convention of Mississippi has nominated Gen. Foote for Governor.

The Democratic Convention of Alabama has nominated Gen. Winston for Governor.

The Democratic Convention of Georgia has nominated Gen. Cobb for Governor.

The Democratic Convention of South Carolina has nominated Gen. Means for Governor.

The Democratic Convention of North Carolina has nominated Gen. Reid for Governor.

The Democratic Convention of Virginia has nominated Gen. Wise for Governor.

The Democratic Convention of Tennessee has nominated Gen. Trousdale for Governor.

The Democratic Convention of Pennsylvania has nominated Gen. Pollock for Governor.

The Democratic Convention of New-Jersey has nominated Gen. Price for Governor.

The Democratic Convention of Delaware has nominated Gen. Cannon for Governor.

The Democratic Convention of Maryland has nominated Gen. Pratt for Governor.

The Democratic Convention of Vermont has nominated Gen. Fairbanks for Governor.

The Democratic Convention of New-Hampshire has nominated Gen. Steele for Governor.

The Democratic Convention of Maine has nominated Gen. Hubbard for Governor.

The Democratic Convention of Massachusetts has nominated Gen. Boutwell for Governor.

The Democratic Convention of Rhode Island has nominated Gen. Brayton for Governor.

The Democratic Convention of Connecticut has nominated Gen. Seymour for Governor.

The Democratic Convention of New-York has nominated Gen. Seymour for Governor.

The Democratic Convention of Michigan has nominated Gen. Barry

MEDICAL

Dr. WILCOX, No. 21 Pine-st., Brooklyn, Diseases of the Throat, Chest, Liver, Kidneys, Nervous System, Piles, Fistula, Stricture, Impotency, Syphilis, Gonorrhœa, Gleet, Seminal Weakness, Female Complaints, &c. Office hours, 9 to 12 A. M., 2 to 5 and 7 to 8 P. M. Sundays, 9 to 10 A. M.

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INSTRUCTION.

ENGLISH AND FRENCH INSTITUTE, 49 Bleecker-st.—Mr. and Mme. DUTOCQ, Principals. Mr. D. will receive pupils at his residence, 49 Bleecker-st., at 9 A. M. and 2 P. M. Mme. D. will receive pupils at her residence, 49 Bleecker-st., at 10 A. M. and 3 P. M. Mme. D. will also receive pupils at her residence, 49 Bleecker-st., at 10 A. M. and 3 P. M. Mme. D. will also receive pupils at her residence, 49 Bleecker-st., at 10 A. M. and 3 P. M. Mme. D. will also receive pupils at her residence, 49 Bleecker-st., at 10 A. M. and 3 P. M.

ACADEMY FOR YOUNG LADIES, No. 1 Fifth-av., corner of 14th-st. Mrs. and Miss ANNA ELLIOTT, Principals. Pupils received at any time. Circulars may be had at the Academy.

ACADEMY FOR YOUNG LADIES, No. 139 Fifth-av., between 19th and 20th-sts. Mrs. and Miss ANNA ELLIOTT, Principals. Pupils received at any time. Circulars may be had at the Academy.

ACADEMY OF THE SACRED HEART, Manhattanville, Boarding and Day School for Young Ladies, conducted by the Religious of the Sacred Heart. Terms, &c., may be had at the Academy, or at No. 49 Barclay-st

The Sun—New-York Tribune—Evening Post—Journal of Commerce—Commercial Advertiser—Mail and Express—Times—Herald—Tribune—World—Staats Zeitung—Volks Zeitung—Abend Post—Handels Zeitung—Courier des Etats Unis—Journal des Debats—Le Messager—Il Progresso Italo-Americano—Gazzetta del Popolo—Il Corriere del Popolo—Il Telegrafo—Il Nuovo Mondo—Il Boletino della Sera—Il Corriere Italiano—Il Lavoratore Italiano—Il Proletario—Il Cronaca Sovversiva—Il Patriota—Il Bollettino della Sera—Il Corriere della Sera

FROM RIO DE LA PLATA.

Ministerial Changes—An Imperial Progress—Miscellaneous Enterprises—Maritime, &c.

Correspondence of the New-York Times:

RIO DE JANEIRO, Thursday, Sept. 8, 1859.

Contrary to my expectations, as set forth in my [illegible] by the last pocket, the Ministry, having lost ground in carrying out their financial project respecting a renovation of their banking system, appealed to the Emperor for a dissolution of the Chambers which, being refused by His Majesty, obliged them to tender their resignations. They were accepted, and a new Ministry has been formed, under the management of Senhor Furtado, a distinguished Senator and late Inspector of the Customs at Rio, which has scarcely had time to go into operation, and therefore cannot be commented upon. It is said, however, that they are favorable to an increase of internal improvements, and to the establishment of an Agricultural Department as a Cabinet portfolio, both of which indicate a requisite spirit of advancement.

The most important news of the past month is the approaching voyage of their Majesties and the Court to their provinces in the north, of Espirito Santo, Bahia, Sergipe, Alagoas, Pernambuco and Parahyba, which will take place in the early part of next month. Suffice to say, the Emperor has never yet visited these important provinces of his dominions. He has given orders to the Presidents of the several provinces that he is to be received in the simplest manner, and desires that no public outlay be appropriated, recommending the strictest economy in all public expenditure which do not directly affect the progression of his empire. His fleet, consisting of five war steamers, has been placed under the command of Vice-Admiral Marquis Barbacena, and the entire Ministerial Cabinet will accompany him.

A short time since, by decree of the Emperor, a very important concession was granted to one of our [illegible] an American, by the name of Sourwine, which gives to him the exclusive right of manufacturing a species of vegetable turf discovered by him in one of the northern provinces, which [illegible] to be the best gas to be manufactured at all, and it is said will yield him a very large fortune.

Among the arrivals in City or two since by the *Lafayette* was Dr. Blakely, of New-York, who was sent last Winter by President Buchanan as Government Agent to the African coast, in charge of the negroes captured by the United States brig *Dolphin* in the slaver *Echo*. I am told that the Doctor has been sent out here by the Novelty Iron Works to establish a line of fancy boats, similar to the Brooklyn ones, between this city and Praia Grande, a place on the other side of the bay, and also to make arrangements with respect to his line of steam communication between the United States and Brazil. The Americans still maintain their ground in regard to the procuration of Government contracts for public improvements, notwithstanding the violent moneyed influence which England is constantly bringing against them. The first section of the Don Pedro II. Railway was built through an English contract. The second section is now being completed by Americans, and it would be as well to take this opportunity to state "that it is the intention of the Company to receive proposals for the [illegible] during the ensuing December." Look out for it, ye Wiseacres of America.

The ship *Adams*, Capt. Mann, is still lying here in a [illegible] condition, and awaiting further instructions from Boston to her disposal. The health of her crew and officers is good. One of the former, by the name of [illegible], died a few days since of colic. The [illegible] Sergeman, senior officer in charge of [illegible] Rodrigues, is also here, but leaves again on [illegible] River Plate, where her services [illegible] This little vessel is in beautiful [illegible] the highest state of discipline [illegible] of all who see her, and reflecting [illegible] her commander and officers. The [illegible] Congress, Irving and *Hartford*, not yet [illegible] French ship arrived a few days since [illegible] passengers, purchased by order of the Gov[illegible] in their provinces of the [illegible] to his palace a very [illegible] of these animals is [illegible] the arrobe of [illegible] the new crop of flour arrived in [illegible] and [illegible] from condemned here as rotten [illegible] to be sold in a few weeks! [illegible] unsalable, and [illegible] to be sold in a few weeks!

Yours truly, [illegible].

CITY INTELLIGENCE.

BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS.—Most of yesterday's session of the Board was occupied with proposed [illegible] of the Police. These were finally referred to a Special Committee consisting of Judge Underhill and Mr. Bowne, and were ordered to be printed. J. H. Hicks was appointed to perform Police duty in Brooklyn, and Thomas McManus, one of the old force, was restored. The Committee appointed to make out lists of Fall Clerks reported that they had completed the duty which devolved on them. A resolution was passed to ask Captains of the several Precincts to report to the next meeting the names of persons willing to serve as special policemen on Election day. The reception of applications for appointments as special officers, was the only other business which was transacted.

ROBBERY OF MR. PROUT'S ERRAND BOY.—The story given a few days ago of the robbery of $4,500 from Gaines Lewis, a broker's errand boy, has since had doubts cast upon its verity. The boy now says that he was enticed into the vault of the Broadway Bank building, and while there the turpentine was thrown over him, and the robbery committed. Having made a partial investigation, the Police are satisfied of the lad's complicity in the affair. Upon this testimony a person was arrested for receiving the stolen money, but an examination before Justice Quackenbush elicited no testimony upon which the accused could be held.

SERIOUS INJURY.—Yesterday afternoon, Thos. Wells, a young man, residing at No. 46 Greenwich-street, met with a sad accident while playing ball in the Elysian Fields, Hoboken. Acting in the capacity of "fielder" he ran after the ball, which rolled into a hole about fifteen feet deep. Slipping and falling in his eagerness to obtain it, his head struck on a sharp rock, which fractured his skull. Medical attendance was immediately procured, but the injury was pronounced fatal. Wells has been employed at the Navy Yard at Brooklyn.

CENTRAL PARK.—In consequence of the shortening of the days, we understand the remaining concerts on the "Ramble" of the Central Park will commence at 3 P. M. precisely. The programme of to-day offers several attractions, including selections from the two new operas of "Le Pardon de Ploermel" and "Les Vêpres Siciliennes," and the delicious allegretto of Beethoven's 8th symphony in F.

DEATH BY DROWNING.—Yesterday afternoon, as the ship *Christina*, bound for London, was on her way down the harbor, a sailor, name unknown, fell overboard. He grasped a rope thrown to him from the Hamilton-avenue ferry-boat, *Manhattan*, but was too weak to retain his hold. The body was not recovered.

RESCUED FROM DROWNING.—Last evening a young lady named Scofield, stepping off of one of the ferry boats at the foot of Roosevelt-street, fell into the river and would have been drowned but for policeman Delamet, of the Fourth Precinct. The officer promptly jumped into the water and rescued her.

Fires.

FIRE IN EAST TWENTY-THIRD-STREET.

About 2 o'clock yesterday morning, a fire broke out in the stable adjoining the coal-yard of Solomon Campbell, on the corner of Twenty-third-street and First-avenue. The stable was destroyed, together with two horses which it contained. Loss, about $1,000; no insurance.

FIRE IN SEVENTH-AVENUE.

At 8 o'clock A. M., yesterday, a fire broke out on the fourth floor of the premises No. 189 Seventh-avenue. The stock of Messrs. Quintard, Thompson & Co., manufacturers of rosewood doors, who occupy the third and fourth floors of the building, was damaged to the amount of $4,000; insured for $1,000 in the Excelsior Insurance Company. Mr. H. C. Carpenter, who occupies the first and second floors, met with a loss of about $400, on which there was no insurance. The building, which is owned by Mr. Carpenter, suffered to the extent of $1,500. It is fully insured. The fire was caused by the falling of a lighted shaving upon a pile of combustible material.

FIRE IN NINTH-AVENUE.

The Second District alarm, at a few minutes past 10 o'clock last evening, was caused by a fire in the upper portion of the frame dwelling No. 484 Ninth-avenue, owned by Alderman Saackmir. The damage to building is about $100, and insured.

Police Reports.

A MULTIPLICITY OF CHARGES.—A few days since Charles Courtney went to the house of Mrs. Caire, No. 495 Canal-street, and, representing himself as a policeman, offered to guard the premises. On Wednesday the house was broken into, and a sewing-machine valued at $75 was stolen. As it was discovered that Courtney had disposed of the identical machine at the gas-fitting establishment of Charles Kranshar, No. 77 Elizabeth-street, for $6, he was arrested on a charge of theft, and being examined, a police-surgeon's shield was found in his pocket. A gunsmith of Hudson-street also accused him of having stolen a self-cocking revolver from his establishment. Courtney admitted all the allegations against him, and was committed in default of $2,000 bail.

STABBED FOR INTERFERING.—On Thursday night Mr. and Mrs. Gorman, who live at No. 65 West Thirty-fifth-street, became engaged in a quarrel, and Andrew Irving, a dweller in the same house, forgetting the proverb, offered to act as mediator. Mr. Gorman declined to accept his services, and finally stabbed Irving in the abdomen with a clasp-knife. As soon as he had inflicted the wound he surrendered himself at the Police Station, and was committed to await the result of Irving's injuries.

STEALING CLOTHING.—Sarah Maunder was yesterday committed by Justice Quackenbush for having stolen $54 worth of apparel from Mrs. Ann Funday, of No. 20 Renwick-street. The accused, on her arrest, acknowledged the theft and restored a portion of the property.

POLITICAL.

REPUBLICAN ASSEMBLY NOMINATIONS.

The Republican Assembly Conventions met in the various Districts last evening. The action taken by each Convention, and the nominations made, were as follows:

1st. 1. O. H. Copp.
2. Adjourned to meet at call of the Chair.
2d. 1. Adjourned to confer with the Americans.
2. Adjourned to Tuesday evening next.
3d. 1. John J. Shaw.
2. John Commerford.
3. Adjourned till Tuesday evening next.
4th. 1. George Terwilliger.
2. John R. Jaques.
5th. 1. Joseph P. Cooper.
2. Adjourned to Wednesday evening next.
6th. 1. Peter Cook.
2. Adjourned to Wednesday evening next.
7th. 1. Elliott F. Shepard.
8th. 1. S. S. Childs.
9th. 1. Walter S. Pinckney.
10th. 1. Isaac B. Batchelor.

THE SIXTH DISTRICT REPUBLICAN SENATORIAL CONVENTION.

The Sixth District Republican Convention met at the Republican Headquarters again last evening, Geo. W. Bixby, Esq., in the Chair. When the first vote of the evening had been called, it appeared that those who had formerly signified their preference for Mr. Silas B. Dutcher, had all gone over to Mr. Washington Smith, so that the vote stood 10 for Washington Smith and 10 for Judge Update. The roll was called one hundred times with the same result, when Mr. Shepard moved to take from the table the resolution to vote by ballot. The motion was lost, Mr. Smith's friends all voting against it. The calling of the roll was then continued, with the same result as before, until one hundred and nine votes had been taken, when, on motion of Mr. Robinson, the Convention adjourned until Monday evening.

THE TAMMANY NATURALIZATION COMMITTEE.

This Committee, which is appointed to look after those foreigners whose means are not commensurate with their desire to vote the Democratic ticket, held its first meeting yesterday. They did nothing beyond perfecting their plans for the approaching campaign, as but few candidates for naturalization presented themselves. Mr. Brown, the naturalization clerk, has furnished final papers during the last week to about five hundred persons. These constitute the majority of aspirants for citizenship who will present themselves this Fall.

AMERICAN NOMINATIONS IN WESTCHESTER COUNTY.

The American County Convention, held at White Plains, on Thursday, made the following nominations: The Hon. John W. Mills, for Surrogate, and Wm. Pemberton, Esq., for District-Attorney. The nomination of the Hon. Wm. W. Schuchman, for Judge of the Supreme Court, was indorsed unanimously. No nomination was made for County Judge. The American Convention of the Second Assembly District, unanimously nominated N. H. Odell, Esq.

AMERICAN GENERAL COMMITTEE.

This body met at No. 187 Bowery last evening. There were nearly one hundred members present. Measures were taken to preserve the American organization, and the Utica ticket was enthusiastically indorsed. Speeches were made by Erastus Brooks and others.

PEOPLE'S CONVENTION.

A People's Convention met in the Sixth Senatorial District last evening, at the Stuyvesant House. Hon. Mike Franklin, Esq., presided, and on motion Geo. Opdyke was unanimously nominated as the people's candidate for Senator. There were about two hundred persons present.

The Rescue of McCue—A Correction.

NEW-YORK, Friday, Oct. 21, 1859.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

Observing in yesterday's issue of your paper that it was mentioned as having "rescued McCue, the murderer of Reaves," I take this opportunity to deny emphatically any such act.

What I did was merely to part what I took to be two men fighting. In no sense did I act in any other capacity than as a pacificator. Respectfully,

ANDREW HIMES.

FROM HAVANA.

Sugar Crop—Health of the City—Movements of Troops—Arrival of Steamers—Markets, &c.

Correspondence of the New-York Times:

HAVANA, Wednesday, Oct. 19, 1859.

The sugar crop is now in full progress, and the weather is favorable for the gathering of the cane. The yield will be large, and the quality good. The health of the city is excellent, and the sanitary condition of the barracks is much improved. Troops are daily arriving from Spain, and are sent to the interior as fast as they arrive. Two companies of artillery, numbering 200 men, arrived yesterday in the steamer *Isabel*, and were sent to Matanzas. Two companies of infantry, numbering 200 men, arrived in the steamer *Ciudad Condal*, and were sent to Cienfuegos. Two companies of infantry, numbering 200 men, arrived in the steamer *Isabel*, and were sent to Matanzas. Two companies of infantry, numbering 200 men, arrived in the steamer *Ciudad Condal*, and were sent to Cienfuegos.

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